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Sterilne injekcijske brizge za insulin za enkratno uporabo, z iglo ali brez nje (ISO 8537:1991)

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ISO 594-1	1986	Conical fittings with a 6 % (Luer) taper for syringes, needles and certain other medical equipment - Part 1: General requirements	EN 20594-1	1993

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Draft International Standards adopted by the technical committees are circulated to the member bodies for voting. Publication as an International Standard requires approval by at least 75 % of the member bodies casting a vote.

International Standard ISO 8537 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 84, *Syringes for medical use and needles for injections*.

Annexes A, B, C, D, E, F and G form an integral part of this International Standard. Annexes H and J are for information only.

Introduction

This International Standard deals with products primarily intended for use with humans and provides performance requirements, but permits some variations of design and of the methods of packaging and sterilization by individual manufacturers.

Materials to be used for the construction and lubrication of sterile syringes and needles for single use are not specified as their selection will depend to some extent upon the design, process of manufacture and sterilization method employed by individual manufacturers.

Syringes and needles should be manufactured and sterilized in accordance with recognized national or international codes of good manufacturing practice for medical devices, and should be free from defects affecting appearance, safety and serviceability for their intended use.

Certain grades of polypropylene, polystyrene and styrene/acrylonitrile copolymer have been extensively used for the barrels of sterile syringes for single use. A high quality natural rubber composition is frequently used for the piston, although other materials such as silicone rubber are also used, the surface of the piston being lubricated with polydimethylsiloxane. For 2 ml syringes, high density polyethylene is frequently used for the seal of the two-component design of syringe in combination with a polypropylene barrel containing a fatty acid amide slip additive.

When selecting materials the following should be considered:

- **Clarity of barrel:** Materials used in the construction of the wall of the syringe barrel should be of sufficient clarity to enable dosages to be read without difficulty and for air bubbles to be seen.
- **Compatibility with insulin preparations:** The materials of syringes and needles (including lubricant) and packaging should not, in their final form after sterilization and under conditions of normal use, detrimentally affect the efficacy, safety and acceptability of insulin preparations: neither should the construction materials be themselves affected physically or chemically by insulin preparations.
- **Biocompatibility:** The materials should not cause the syringes and needles to yield, under conditions of normal use, significant amounts of toxic substances and should permit them to satisfy the appropriate national requirements or regulations for freedom from pyrogenic materials and abnormal toxicity. For testing these properties, an extract as specified in annex H may be used.

It is strongly recommended that regulatory authorities, pharmacopoeiae and relevant trade associations should recognize the need for further testing, especially for incompatibility between the insulins and syringes when they are in contact for prolonged periods.

In some countries national regulations are legally binding and their requirements may take precedence over this International Standard.

This International Standard describes syringes with or without needles for use with 40 units of insulin/ml (U-40) and 100 units of insulin/ml (U-100). It is recommended that syringes graduated for only one strength of insulin be used in each country to avoid accidents. For those countries using more than one strength of insulin, the importance of having individual syringes appropriately graduated for only one strength of insulin as specified in this International Standard is emphasized. Serious problems may result if a syringe is used with a strength of insulin for which it is not designed. If the syringe is used for mixing different types of insulin, it is strongly recommended that the procedure is performed in the same order each time.

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